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## Senior rings now on display at bookstore

By Garrett Stearns

Two samples of the official LSUS school ring are now on display in the campus bookstore.

The remaining four samples from the John Roberts Co. are expected Feb. 5. Samples from the Balfour Co., the other manufacturer of LSUS rings, are expected Feb. 1.

When asked about the price of the rings R. G. Singleton, buyer for the bookstore, said, "The bookstore has priced the rings to give the students the widest selection at the best price." This is also the reason for two companies being chosen to make the rings.

The bookstore suggests that students not place an order until a full selection from both companies may be viewed. One company's ring is cast and the other company's ring is dye-struck, even though the design of the ring will be identical with both companies.

### Ring prices given

The following prices and options apply to the John Robert Co. rings only. Balfour Co. rings may vary slightly in price and in options, which will be available upon their arrival Feb. 1.

The company's "basic ring" made of siladium is priced \$48 for women and \$78 for men. Siladium is a high quality metal alloy with properties which are harder than gold and retains a high luster, according to Singleton. Siladium was developed exclusively by the John Roberts Co. and is only available through them.

The company's "basic ring" made of 10 karat gold is priced \$69 for women and \$115 for men.

In siladium the company's "custom ring" is priced \$50 for women and \$86 for men. The "custom ring" in gold is priced \$67 for women and \$123 for men.

Singleton added that students will have three weight selections to choose from, which will affect the price accordingly.

### Stone colors vary

In the "basic ring" package the student may choose one of five stone colors which include ultralight, ruby, blue spinel, tourmaline and onyx. "The women's choice may also include the selection of a dinner-style ring," said Singleton.

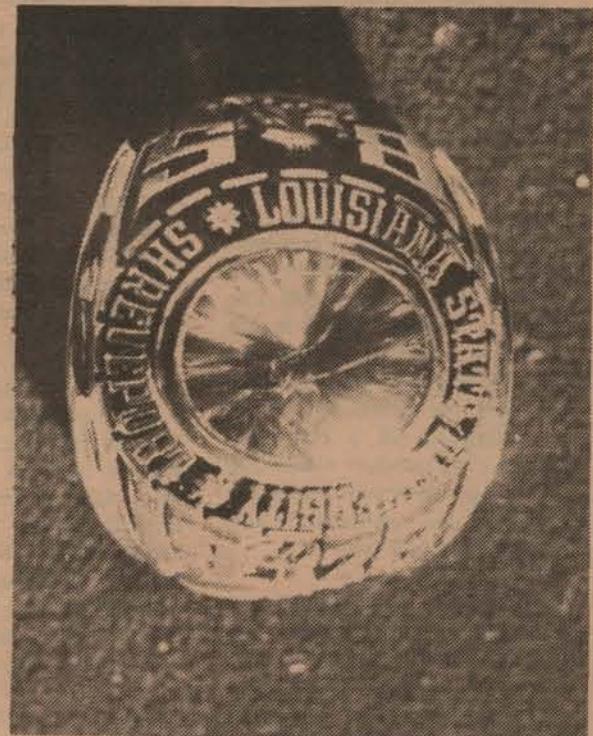
In the "custom ring" package 10 additional stone colors are offered along with the five "basic ring" colors. The additional colors are garnet, aquamarine, white spinel, emerald spinel, alexandrite, peridot, topaz, blue zircon, tangerine and fire-blue spinel.

In the "custom ring" in gold the student may also choose either white or yellow gold.

### Custom features listed

Custom features include gold encrusting the stone, fireburst undercutting to the stone, or the option of a diamond panel ready to be set with the student's diamond. The company does not supply the diamond.

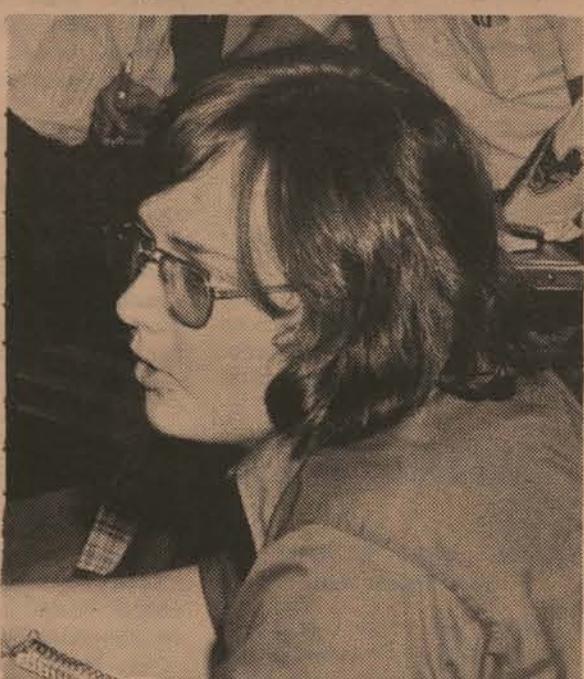
A \$10 deposit will be required when the student places his ring order at the bookstore. This deposit will



This view of the official LSUS school ring shows the center panel of one ring style now on view in the campus bookstore. See page eight for additional photos. (photo: Irvin Schueler)

be deducted from the cost of the selected ring plus tax. When the ring is completed it will be delivered to the student's home address c.o.d. Delivery should be 4 to 6 weeks. The bookstore, at the time of publication, had not set policy concerning who is eligible to purchase a ring.

The ring design is based on recommendations submitted by a student-faculty committee.



Richard Dancy led the questioning of SGA President Tony Sanders at the senate meeting last Friday. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

The controversy, on the other hand, was still very much alive. "He (Sanders) usurped the power and that is simply unconstitutional," Dancy later said.

"He just should have gotten senate approval," he added.

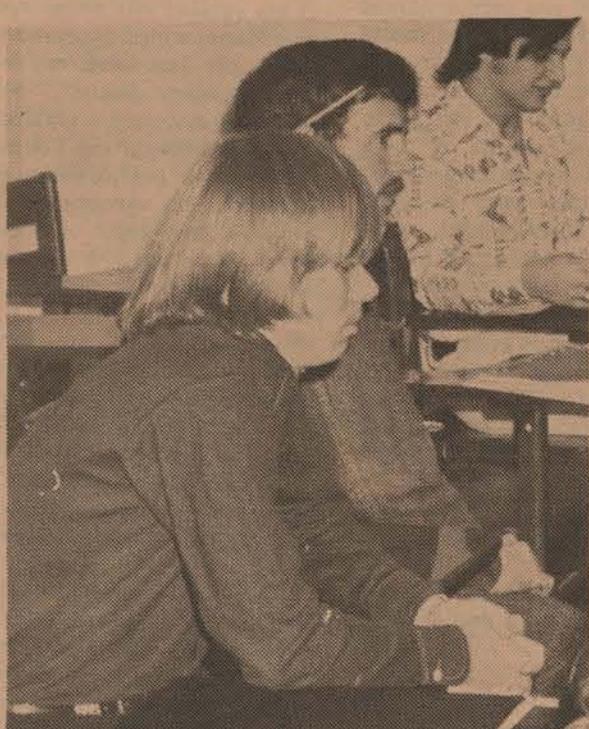
Sanders argued that the issue "was not when I told the senate members, but that I told them at all. It appears some of the senators cannot see the forests for the trees."

### Towns is unsatisfied

David Towns, director of the office of special research, said he was not satisfied with Sanders' explanation because "you can't run a student government on assumptions," a reference to Sanders' incorrect assumption that Dr. Shipp would pay for the trip.

"He just should have found out who would pay the way," Towns said. "The means he went about it were just wrong."

Other senators, such as Dubba Hermes and George Leritte, became disgusted over the debate and objections over what they considered a waste of time on a trivial issue. See SGA on page 8.



SGA President Tony Sanders was questioned for the second senate meeting in a row about his trip to Baton Rouge last November. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

It was at the first senate meeting of this year that Sanders gave his report. Several members of the SGA felt Sanders' action and his delay in reporting would set a dangerous precedent and might be unconstitutional.

Some students even talked about possible impeachment. Before last Friday's meeting there were rumors that a bill of impeachment would actually be introduced.

One source cited a private poll that indicated 13 of the senators would vote for impeachment. Fourteen are needed for passage.

However, by the middle of this week the push for impeachment had all but died.

***From the editor's desk***

## State of the SGA

Judging from the record of the Student Government Association, both last fall and this semester, the organization leaves much to be desired in providing the kind of leadership that the students on this campus should have.

Their lack of imagination and innovative ideas, coupled with the gross inefficiency and antagonistic attitude of certain members, means bad news for students this semester.

This week's revelations of the alleged impropriety in the office of the SGA President, Tony Sanders, only adds to what we have already concluded. The SGA, as it now stands, is not operating in the best possible manner. What the students have now are representatives—with the exception of a few—who cannot even conduct a meeting or carry out their business in the way that the constitution and senate rules call for.

The blame for the present situation lies both with the executive and legislative bodies. As for the senate, their main problem stems from their lack of knowledge of rudimentary parliamentary procedure and the SGA constitution. This creates problems in carrying out the senate's business in an efficient manner.

One example occurred at last week's senate meeting—held in the usual disorderly manner—when Senator Tim Hardy introduced a measure for discussion on the floor which supposedly had been under study by the senate legislative committee for one week. Yet upon the introduction of the bill, the committee's chairman announced that he wasn't aware that the bill had been in his committee.

The senate hasn't been instrumental in originating bills or new programs. It has mainly acted on measures emanating from either Sanders' office or David Towns' office of research.

In this category we would

include the constitution and the proposed bill of rights, check cashing privileges at the "shack", and bus service to the University. Though certainly the senate cooperated with the two offices, we can't remember anything of this nature coming from individual senators.

Regarding the tenure of Tony Sanders as president of the SGA, his performance has been less than satisfactory. When Sanders began his term last spring, we heard many promises. His platform sounded good and the student body elected him. But now, Sanders himself admits disappointment that he has not accomplished more during his term.

Perhaps the main reason that he has not gotten more done, is that he failed from the beginning to foster a good relationship with the senate and with officials within the executive branch. Had Sanders more actively solicited cooperation and support from the senate, the SGA these two semesters might have operated more effectively.

Finally, the SGA President hasn't acted energetically enough in providing reforms that are desperately needed by the student government. A judiciary branch has been under study by the executive branch since last fall.

In fact, at one time it was included in the present SGA constitution, but was removed at Sander's direction. Lately he has spoken of adding the branch by constitutional amendment in March. Last semester he promised the amendment early in the semester. The point is: He's dragging his heels.

In view of the present student government one can only be skeptical. Students want a good representative government. Meanwhile, the senate uses 20 minutes of a one-hour meeting squabbling when the next meeting will be. And Tony Sanders remains aloof to the whole situation.

## Is that book necessary?

By Patricia S. Wilkins  
Contributing Writer

When you hand your class schedule card to the clerk in the bookstore, you never know what you will get in return. More than likely, it will be an armload of books and a nice-sized bill. Most of the books are essential for the courses listed, but chances are, some of the books you are sold will never be opened.

While it may add to your prestige to display a fully-shelved library at home to impress your friends, it is an expensive exhibit. And at today's inflated prices—who needs it?

**A better way**

There must be a better, more economical way to acquire books needed for a course than to simply take what's sold to you on registration day just because it's "on the list." You may get home and discover you already have a copy of a book you just bought, or you may finish a course and discover you were sold a book you didn't even use.

For example, as a freshman, I was told that the American

Heritage Dictionary was absolutely essential for an English course. It sold in the bookstore for something like \$15, and most of my inexperienced and eager classmates rushed over to buy it.

**No book needed**

Being a little short of funds, I muddled through the course, using my old Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, and made an "A" just the same. Since then, I have not only checked the LSUS library, but my hometown library as well for supplemental books. It's much cheaper—unless your uncle owns a bookstore.

Books are wonderful: books are vital; books are nice to have; but books are also expensive, especially now. So, the next time you register and they start loading you down with stylebooks, workbooks, dictionaries, novels and other supplements, look the situation over and ask this question before you buy: Is this book really necessary? You'll be surprised to find out how many aren't.

**'Open Door'**

## Is 4-day week possible?

In an effort to keep an open line of communication between the students and Chancellor Donald E. Shipp, the Almagest has introduced "Open Door". If you have a comment or question related to the university, write it down and either mail it to "Open Door" in care of the Almagest or drop it by the Almagest office, room 328 in the Liberal Arts Building. The questions will be sorted and forwarded to Chancellor Shipp.

This week Chancellor Shipp replies to a suggestion by Randal L. Coon, a student at LSUS.

With the very real possibility of gasoline rationing and/or much higher gas prices in the near future, I think we should all do as much as possible to cut energy consumption. And in keeping with this line of thought, I have a suggestion for the University to consider.

Rather than continuing to follow our regular Monday-Friday schedule, why don't we plan a four-day school week? This might possibly involve ninety minutes classes on Mondays and Wednesdays as well as on Tuesday and Thursdays.

I am aware that this proposal would require extra planning and work, but I think that the

consequences could well justify the move. Theoretically, it could cut travel expenses by up to 20 percent. I personally use about two gallons of gasoline per day in traveling back and forth to school; taking this as an average, our students and faculty might save as much as 5000 gallons of fuel weekly by cutting our Friday classes. And in addition to this, we would use less energy for temperature control of our buildings than we are presently using.

I have tried to think of reasons as to why this plan would not be acceptable, but have failed to find any. Those with whom I have discussed this have all reacted favorably. If it is indeed a workable idea, I would like for LSUS to be the first to employ it.

Sincerely,  
Randal L. Coon

The suggestion that a four-day school week might save on gasoline costs and general energy consumption is a timely one. A copy of the letter from Mr. Coon will be forwarded to President Woodin in order that the whole LSU System might consider this matter. The matter will be discussed by me at the next meeting of LSU System Campus Heads.

Obviously much time would have to be spent in planning such a procedure, as it would change the working and living

patterns of a large number of people. One disadvantage would be inefficient use of a large investment in the physical plant for the campus. At a time when proposals are being made rather seriously to use public school plants 12 months of the year, a suggestion to use college plants less must receive close attention. Another problem would be the scheduling of classes.

In order to schedule the same number of classes, our working day here would have to be extended well beyond its present limits. A third problem would involve those students who have part-time jobs. Such a plan would make it even more difficult for these students to schedule their classes and their work hours.

One possible solution might be found in our public transportation system. Few if any students bother to ride the bus that comes to our campus several times daily. Our student leadership worked diligently last year to get bus service to the campus. I feel sure that the bus company would be entirely justified in cancelling that service with its present low usage.

Despite the problems cited herein, this matter will be given consideration by the University administration.

## Amendment aids students

By Penny Adams  
Contributing Writer

In August 1974, the amendments to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act was signed into law. This act allows college students to take action against college admissions officers, athletic directors, and others who clearly discriminate against students because of sex. But the law does not cover

discrimination in the area of age.

The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare administers the new anti-discrimination law. Complaints against a university for sex discrimination can be filed with the H.E.W. This act applies to all schools of higher learning, including graduate schools and vocational schools, which receive federal funding.

Under this law, a university may not legally maintain a balanced sex ratio in its enrollment. Also, any college providing athletic scholarships for men, must appropriate a similar amount of financial aid for women. This law enables women to study mechanics, as well as men to study home economics, if this is what they desire.

## Letters to the editor

**To the editor:**

My comments are addressed to Randy Griffith. I, Jeff Amoeba, having read your article "Is Pregnancy Sexist?", am both outraged and enraged at seeing my name used in such a slanderous manner. In the whole, I think your article concerning the discriminating female role in pregnancy is very good, although you seem to look only at the dark side of it. Not all women think of pregnancy and childraising as hell-on-earth situations with no redeeming value for all their pain and trouble. If they did, the birth rate would certainly be a lot lower than it is at present.

All that aside, where does Jeff Amoeba fit into your article? I see no place where he should. For one, I haven't (to my knowledge) made anyone pregnant. (We amoebas do a one-man act, a real sidesplitter!) And two, I never date girls with sacks over their heads, despite the rumors.

Now about this article I wrote which supposedly brought out my typical narrow-minded chauvinism. The only thing I can say (as I have said before) is that anybody who is imbecilic enough to take satire (such as

missed by many students, this one included.

Randy Griffith

**To the editor:**

I am swollen with anger over the editorial which appeared in your paper last week entitled "Is Pregnancy Sexist?" Mr. Griffith is obviously a childish, unmarried little shrimp. I do not read a student publication to be informed that pregnancy is "sexist." My eight children have provided me with the most fulfilling moments of my 21 years of life.

That part about the "sex-mad" husband is really ridiculous. I don't have a sex-mad husband—in fact, I've never had a husband at all. As for the "agony of childbirth," that is really dumb. I've had more discomfort after a moldy pizza.

I am convinced that Mr. Griffith's stance against pregnancy is based on one factor—jealousy. In other words, preggy-envy.) Jealousy will not get you the joy of bearing a child Griffith, so forget it.

"Nina Muntz"

# Sanders Blasted

By Randal M. Beach  
Contributing Editorialist

Do you ever wonder where your Student Government Association (SGA) funds go? Several senators have been asking the same question lately.

Section 4.4 of the SGA constitution grants sole power for making monetary appropriations to the Senate. However, SGA President Tony Sanders has apparently never read this particular section. On November 22, Sanders and Vice-president Paul Akers flew to Baton Rouge to attend a LSUS Board of Supervisors meeting. Sanders led Akers to believe that the administration was paying for the trip. While in flight, however, Akers was informed that the funds were coming from the SGA budget.

At Friday's senate meeting, Senator Richard Dancy questioned Sanders as to why the Senate was never consulted regarding this expenditure. In vague and evasive responses, Dancy was told that Sanders didn't find out in time where the money was to be gotten. He didn't have enough time to ask for a special senate meeting for consideration of the appropriation. However, several people were aware that the trip was forthcoming as early as November 14.

Following Friday's Senate meeting, several senators

pointed out that it was Sanders' duty to determine the source of financing immediately after deciding to make the trip. That would have allowed him a full week in which to ask the Senate for the funds. During Friday's meeting Dancy asked Sanders why he had waited so late to find out where the money would be gotten. Sanders replied, "Have you ever met the Chancellor?"

Shortly after the meeting, Dancy was summoned to the office of the senate president. The ensuing conversation was at such a volume level that one might have charged Sanders with noise pollution. During this vocal exchange, senators sitting in an adjoining office were referred to by Sanders as the "impeachment committee." I was informed Friday night that Sanders had attempted to bribe one senator to shut him up.

Several facts are becoming quite obvious. SGA funds, regardless of the purpose involved, were expended illegally without senate authorization. Mr. Sanders appears to be rather desperate at this point, having first attempted to blame the chancellor, then exploding in a fit of anger and finally resorting to blatant bribery.

Where does the accountability lie? Should the Senate settle for one of Sanders' ten dollar grins and forget the matter? What will happen remains to be seen.

## In student's opinion

# Energy alternatives needed soon

By Irvin Schueler

There is no topic before the American people that is as dramatically and graphically displayed on a day-to-day basis as is the energy crises.

Since the stark realization of increased motor fuel prices in the fall of '73, no other subject has commanded as much time and attention with the news media, the political process or the man-on-the-street. Home and industrial fuel costs have more than doubled in some areas in the past 15 months.

### Supplies are short

More shocking, though, is often energy supplies have been insufficient to meet the demands in many areas of the country. The "Out of Gas" or the "10 gallon limit" sign, plus odd or even last numbers on one's license plate, became everyday distinguishing marks on the American Scene.

While we here have writhed in the throes of this energy demon, countries abroad have experienced far more severe shortages and economic repercussions than we are psychologically prepared to envision yet.

Prices of from \$1 to over \$3 per gallon for gasoline exist in the highly industrialized

European nations and Japan.

### Problem here for while

Secretary of the Interior Rogers Morton has revealed to the American people that the energy problem is no short-term thing. He states that President Ford's import tax increase or gasoline rationing will last for at least 10 years.

"Ten years of self-denial, 10 years of tripled natural gas prices and 10 years of replacing high-priced Arab oil with high-priced U.S. oil," were the words he used over the last weekend.

Meanwhile, the oil exporting countries, a 13-nation organization call OPEC, which produces 85 percent of the world's exports, is in conference in Algiers declaring that huge oil price hikes are not to blame for the economic ills of the western world.

Recent rubblings of possible "battlehip diplomacy" have added some alarm to the situation.

### New oil found

Just this last week, Israeli geologists have reported what might turn out to be a major oil field in occupied Jordan. The field may contain as much as 7 billion barrels of oil, 100 times Israel's annual consumption.

This new discovery, plus the fact that Israel now gets 55 percent of its oil from captured Egyptian wells in the Sinai Desert, does not figure to enable the Israelis to relinquish such occupied territories, and hence their running war with the Arab nations around them will continue.

It takes no special genius to diagnosis the world's political and economic woes as being oil-oriented.

### Solutions offered

Some solutions to the shortages: Develop the North Sea resources, develop the vast reserves of the North American north shore, drill offshore in the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic and Pacific, and turn everyone loose inland to search for oil.

Much rhetoric has been vented toward tapping the vast oil shale resources of our western states. Leonard Woodcock, president of the United Auto Workers union, suggested that we scrap the policy of increasing the domestic production and increase foreign imports in order

to save the domestic supply, "a diminishing resource."

### Tariff challenged

Last Sunday, eight northeastern states agreed to challenge President Ford's oil import tariff. Monday they filed suit in federal district court in Washington.

New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania agreed to join in the suit with Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, Vermont and Massachusetts. Representatives of New Hampshire and Delaware also attended the meeting in Boston, but they did not agree to join in the suit.

In Louisiana and Texas, especially, much has been heard about the unfairness of areas of those states having to suffer shortages of oil products in order to support the demands of the populous Northeast.

### Solutions offered

What then are suitable solutions to this petroleum-base energy shortage and its associated problems? The most frequently mentioned alternatives are the redevelopment and expansion of coal-burning steam generating power stations and atomic nuclear-powered reactors.

Both of these systems present serious problems of environmental pollution or radiation hazard which only four or five years ago were considerable deterrents to their development on a grand scale.

Lately, however, noticeable lessening of pollution restriction controls is gaining impetus.

More accurately, the subject is not being resisted as energetically by the environmentalists or the listening public from which they draw support.

### Sources have appeal

Energy supplies that have the greatest appeal to this writer are the natural sources that combine the twin features of unlimited supply plus virtually zero environmental pollution risk. These sources are: Energy from wind, ocean wave action and solar radiation.

These energy sources are not adaptable as alternatives to all present uses of the carbon fuels, but if viewed from strictly the fuel aspect they could replace many of the stationary energy

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# Campus Briefs

## SLTA

The Student Louisiana Teachers Association (SLTA) will attend a state SLTA convention in Lafayette Feb. 14-16. Louis Michot, state superintendent of education, will address the first general session.

LSUS will have four voting delegates in the convention. Activities will include workshops and a banquet. Each chapter will choose an outstanding member who will receive a pin at the banquet. In addition, state officers will be elected.

Anyone wishing to attend the convention should contact Robert Banning for details.

## Officers Named

New officers of the Law Society are Paula Williamson, president; Charles Turner, vice-president; Susan Dowden, secretary; Maurice Renfro, program chairman and Preston Friedley, public relations.

The organization will meet Wednesday at 2 p. m. in LA 101. It will be a business meeting.

## Art Class

The Broadmoor Family Y.M.C.A. will offer classes in Arts & Crafts beginning Monday. Classes will meet at 215 Carroll St. in the new activities building. Six 1½ hour sessions will be held Mondays and/or Wednesdays 10:30 a. m. to noon. The cost will be \$25.00. Membership in the "Y" is not required. Classes in one or more of the following will be offered: decoupage, paper tole, handbags and acrylics. Contact Chuck Wachob at 865-4651 for more information. You must pre-register for the class.

## Beta Chi

Beta Chi will have a party 7:30 p. m. February 8 at Silver Pines Clubhouse. Western attire is required. Beverages will be provided. Contact Carla Lehnertz, Cheryl Homes or Sharon Rasberry concerning food to be brought.

## Speaker Here

The Law Society will sponsor Charles Tapp, director of the office of consumer protection, for speaking engagements Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Tapp will speak to the political science classes from 9:30 to 12:30 Tuesdays and will be honored at a luncheon at Kon-Tiki restaurant from 1 to 2 p. m. At 8 p. m., he will give a talk in LA 103. The lecture is open to the public.

February 5, Tapp will address the 9-10 a. m. Political Science class.

Anyone planning to attend the luncheon should notify Dr. Parker, LA 449, or Dr. Lancaster, LA 431 to make reservations. All students are invited to attend the luncheon.

## Students Initiated

Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society, recently initiated seven LSUS students into its Ark-La-Tex chapter. Anita Edwards, Keenan Gingles, Randy Griffith, Linda Lockwood, Gina Gordey, Garrett Stearns and Patti Kasselman were inducted at the noon meeting of the organization Jan. 23.

John Tabor, director of information services, served on a panel discussing journalism programs in five area colleges. Dr. Robert Russell, assistant professor of communications, was also in attendance.

## Delta Sigma Phi

New pledges of Delta Sigma Phi fraternity are Eric Bennos, Don Edmunds, Rusty Robertson and William (Buddy) Wainwright IV.

Members of the fraternity sold their blood as a service project Thursday. Proceeds went toward a party for children attending Holy Angels School.

Nona Sewell was recently elected spokeswoman of the fraternity's Little Sisters club. Members are Pam Allen, Karen Cockrell, Debbie Cook, Robin Freeman, Barbara Jordan, Arleen Keel, Marilyn Kolonko and Jacki May.

## Committee Named

New members of the Student Entertainment Committee have been named for the Spring semester. They are Tommy Starkey, coordinator; Ed Lampkin, business manager; Cheryl Holmes, secretary; Nelda Lane, regional coordinator and Carla Lehnertz, publicity director. Publicity committee members are Sharon Rasberry, Ginger Neel, Renee Mohr, Bill Ferguson and Brian Taylor.

## Alpha Phi

The Epsilon Tau Chapter of Alpha Phi held formal pledging ceremonies Thursday evening. It was the chapter's first pledge class since the initiation and installation of the chapter in November. The new pledges are Linda McGahan and Lisa Rodrigues. Anyone interested in membership in Alpha Phi should contact Annie Nelson at 687-6684.

## Wyatt Speaks

Stan Wyatt, a member of the Louisiana Educational Television Authority, spoke Monday to a class in public relations, Communications 353. He outlined the purpose, problems and progress in establishing a state-wide network for educational television.

Wyatt said that the Shreveport-Bossier station should be established in 1976, the third such station after Baton Rouge and Monroe, with transmitting facilities at university campuses.

## Poem wins award

Dr. Robert H. Russell, assistant professor of communications, recently won first prize in the fall poetry contest of the Shreveport Writer's Club. Dr. Russell's poem was entitled "The Challenge."

## ZTA Scholarship

The Zeta Tau Alpha foundation is now taking scholarship applications for the 1975-76 school year. Applications may be obtained from Edgar L. Chase, director of student financial aid, in LA 136. The applicant must be a female undergraduate student, be in need of financial assistance, have a B average or higher for school work completed and have letters of recommendation from a professor in the applicant's major department and from a Zeta Tau Alpha alumnus.

Only two applicants may apply. The application must be mailed before April 1, 1975.

## Financial Info.

The 1974-75 "Annual Register of Grant Support" has just arrived at the Library. The annual publication provides information on sources of financial support and areas of study offered at various institutions across the country. For more information call Miss Nell Cunningham at 865-7121 Ext. 225, or request the book at the reference desk.

## Staff Needed

Applications are now being accepted for various positions open on the 1975-76 Bagatell staff. Anyone interested in the following paid and volunteer positions please see Dr. Milton Finley in LA 441 by March 1, 1975: editor-in-chief, section editors, typist, chief photographer, photographer and layout assistants.

## Chancellor Speaks

Dr. Paul W. Murrill, chancellor at LSU-Baton Rouge, spoke to the Shreveport Rotary Club last Friday on the changing attitudes of college students.

Dr. Donald E. Shipp, LSUS chancellor, introduced Dr. Murrill.

## Zeta Tau Alpha

Four new members of the Eta Omega colony of Zeta Tau Alpha were pledged January 22. New pledges are Cindy Belcher, Patty Jordan, Prissy Bankston and Cindy Griffith.

Two new initiated members from Tech and Northeast have joined the colony. They are Paula O'Neal and Janet Walton.

## Free Movie

Jonathan Livingston Seagull will be shown free of charge Friday at 8 p. m. in the Science Lecture Auditorium. There will be shorts in the shack Monday.

## Psychology Club

The Psychology Club will meet at noon Monday in room 201 of the Library Building. Robert Locke, a senior psychology major, will give a presentation of recent research concerning discriminant vs. non-discriminatory learning in 7th and 8th grade students. All interested persons are invited.

# Society to present films

By Paula Seago

The newly-formed LSUS International Cinema Society will present a series of foreign films in the Science Lecture Auditorium (SLA) on Feb. 28, March 7, April 4, 11 and 18.

According to Dr. Robert Leitz, membership chairman, the films are award-winning classics.

Tickets are available to students and the public for \$5; this covers admittance to all films. Tickets are transferable. For more information, contact the English Department, Liberal Arts Building, room 219, or phone 865-7121 Ext. 292.

The organization's aim is to provide opportunities for

students to become accustomed to conversations in other languages and assist studies of foreign languages. The society is also interested in bringing the cultural values of the foreign classics to Shreveport. There is no other foreign film organization in Shreveport at this time. Subtitles will be used for better understanding of the movies. Profits derived from these presentations will be used to continue the program.

On Feb. 28, "8½" will be shown. This is an autobiographical film, almost in the form of a journal, about the life of Frederico Fellini.

"Kuhle Wampe" will be shown March 7. The title is translated "Wither Germany." The film depicts life in pre-Nazi Germany, reflecting the social

conditions and political situation of the time.

"Nazarin," based on a novel by Galdos, will be shown April 4. The plot centers around a 19th century priest who experiences the realizations of his Christian obligations and duties.

On April 11, "Last Year at Marienbad," is scheduled. This film is a realistic fantasy of what may or may not have happened at a French spa.

"Virgin Spring" will be presented April 18. The play has religious overtones concerning death and retribution. The plot centers around a landowner's revenge upon three men who rape and kill his only daughter.

Dr. Leitz remarked that a good response to the presentations is expected from students, faculty and area residents.



"Alpenglow," a religious music group based in Winter Haven, Florida, performed Jan. 22 at the Baptist Student Union meeting. The group gave performances in the Shreveport-Bossier area for three weeks. (photo: Greg Goodwin)

## Record review

# 'Homeless Brother' follows 'American Pie'

By Paula Seago

Singer-poet-artist Don McLean has produced another uniquely styled album. "Homeless Brother" was recently released on the United Artist Records label.

The album provides more of McLean's detailed observations and experiences involving people in all walks of life. Moods range from the rocking rhythm of "Great Big Man" to the lilting tune of "Wonderful Baby." McLean's talent in conveying pictures, ideas and feelings through song is more evident in this collection than in his previous ones: "American Pie",

"Don McLean" and "Tapestry."

### Album was planned

According to statements made by McLean, this album has been planned for quite some time. The title song, "Homeless Brother," shows McLean's desire to bring the lesser side of society to the attention of the public.

Lyrics, music and special effects are artfully coordinated to create various feelings, individuals and situations found in life. McLean has again proven himself to be a creative genius in the world of music.

### Eleven selections offered

Side one includes "Homeless Brother," "Sunshine Life For Me" and "Great Big Man." Side two has "La La Love You" and "The Legend of Andrew McCrew." Side three includes "Winter Has Me In Its Grip," "Wonderful Baby" and "Did You Know." Side four has "You Have Lived," "Tangled (Like a Spider in Her Hair)" and "Crying in the Chapel".

## Miller's 'Crucible' termed stunning

By Eleanor Cullick  
Contributing Writer

Arthur Miller's timeless play about the Salem Witch Hunt of 1692, opened in a stunning production Saturday evening at the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse under Bob Buseick's firm directorial hand.

With but a few exceptions, the cast proved to be excellent. Lee Crook, as John Proctor, the man involved in spite of himself, gave a masterful performance. This complex man who had involved himself in an affair with the vengeful Abigail Williams, is forced to come to terms with himself and those around him, and Crook, in full command of all his scenes, was the dominant force of the play. Especially impressive were his final scenes, following months in a dungeon, when Crook used a crooked, rasping voice, a man broken in body only, ready to face his death for his beliefs.

Clifford Holloway, frightening as the righteous Deputy-Governor Danforth, a man so sure of himself, where black is black, and white is white, shared acting honors with a most authoritative performance.

As the beautiful, vicious Abigail, Anna Dele Aslin wavered back and forth in her love scenes with Proctor, and her play-acting of the hysterical scenes with the other girls involved in the bizarre circumstances that sent dozens of innocent victims to their deaths. The trio of girls brought home to the audience the danger of the mass hysteria of those times, and the 1950's witch hunt of Senator McCarthy.

Debbie Hicks as the pitiful Mary Warren, doe eyes, frightened, wanting to do the right thing and unable to, was

also outstanding, as was Allen Pomeroy's tragic Reverend Samuel Parris, a man unable to stop the forces he helped put in motion.

Indeed, this play is so pertinent at anytime, that it should be a must on everyone's theatre list. The lighting by Holloway, and Buseick and Holloway's ramp-like set were most effective.

## Plays set

By Paula Seago

The Centenary Theater Speech Department will present two plays, "The Crucible" and "Dark of the Moon," during January and February. The productions will be staged at the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse; curtain will be at 8 p. m. Admission is \$1.50 for students and \$3 for adults.

"The Crucible," written by Arthur Miller and directed by Robert R. Buseick, will be presented on Jan. 31, Feb. 8 and 14. "Dark of the Moon," written by Howard Richardson and William Berney and directed by Barbara F. Acker, will be staged on Feb. 1, 7 and 15.

Later productions of the season include, "Tom Paine," "The Last of Mrs. Lincoln," and "1776." A scholarship benefit for the Marjorie Lyons Playhouse on Feb. 20 will feature the Broadway musical, "Pippin," the winner of five Tony Awards. The production, co-sponsored by Marie Gifford and Pericles Alexander, will be staged in the Civic Theatre; curtain at 8:15 p. m.

For more information, contact Robert R. Buseick at 869-5242 between 9 a. m. and noon.

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## Introspect...

By Carl Smith

One of the things that stands out in my mind among the events of 1974 is the funeral I attended for a university student who died a tragic death. I noted with interest the expressions made of his faith and experience with God.

## Symphony has drive

The Shreveport Symphony Annual Fund Drive for 1975 is spearheaded by Raymond S. Morris, general manager of the Shreveport Gamenent Manufacturers, Inc. Chairman of the fund drive community division is Jim Begbie.

Morris headed the Symphony's fund drive in 1974 when the organization topped its goal of \$100,000. This year, the Symphony has set a goal of \$110,000.

In addition to the annual fund drive, there will be a small drive running simultaneously for the special Bicentennial World Premieres Fund. This drive will help support the symphony's bicentennial project of three world premieres during the 1975-76 season. The goal of the Bicentennial World Premieres Fund is \$20,000.

The Shreveport Symphony serves the entire Ark-La-Tex region and sponsors in addition to the orchestra, a community chorale, youth auditions for young artists, an opera company, a ballet company, special enrichment programs in the schools, youth orchestras, a women's guild, and training programs for students of music and dance.

## Consumer advocate to speak

The LSUS Law Society will sponsor Charles W. Tapp, state director of the office of consumer protection, in a series of lectures Feb. 4-5.

Tapp was employed by Public Affairs Research (PAR) from 1961-65 where he worked on constitutional law and legislative reform. He was executive director for the East Baton Rouge Parish Community Advancement Council an anti-poverty agency, from 1965-72. He has held his present position since 1973.

Tapp received the B.A. and M.A. degrees in political science from LSU-Baton Rouge. He has done graduate work at Duke University and LSU-BR. For additional details, see campus briefs.

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The minister also spoke of his involvement with life, or rather lives, the church, love of music and people with needs. The filled church auditorium spoke a tribute of the many who had been touched by his life.

I was reminded of him as I read William Blake's poem, "He

## The quality of life

who binds to himself a joy does the winged life destroy, but he who kisses the joy as it flies lives in eternity's sun rise."

His life was not measured in terms of length, but in significance, the depth of his daily life, the way he gave himself to others. He had learned the secret of joy — not in how long you have it, but the quality of it.

As a child I tried to preserve the joy of the moment, in capturing a butterfly in a mayonnaise jar with perforated lid, only to find it quickly dies.

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## Tax break available

Joe Traigle, state revenue tax collector, says some Louisiana citizens will be exempt from payroll withholdings for state individual income tax purposes.

A law passed during the legislature's last regular session exempts persons who owed no state taxes in 1974 and anticipate no individual tax obligations for 1975.

The new provision will primarily affect students employed only in the summer months. Persons who wish to take advantage of the new law may call toll free 1-800-272-9855 and request form L-4E. The form should be filled out and submitted to employers in place of the regular withholding form.

Traigle said the new law will enable persons to keep more income and eliminate unnecessary paperwork for the state.

## Buying tips for jeans

Inflation does funny things: All of a sudden people realize that they can dress in cheaper, sturdier clothes and still look good.

The Consumer Education Program of Cornell University recently researched the trend toward wearing jeans and denim clothing and compiled some expert tips for shoppers.

Look for jeans that allow one to two percent shrinkage. If the garment's label does not guarantee this, buy a large size to allow for shrinkage caused by washing and drying.

Waistbands should be made of two or more layers of fabric with multiple rows of stitching. This will help reduce stretching in the waist area. If the garment has no waistband, look for an extra layer of firm fabric sewn into the waist for durability.

Check the bottom of the zipper insert for raw edges since these are apt to be uncomfortable. Edges should be turned in and sewn down.

Look for thread bar tacks or rivets at place of stress like corners of pockets, belt loops and the bottom of the zipper placket.

Also look for a self-locking pull tab and double-stitched zipper track. A brass or stainless steel zipper track will stand up better than a narrower one made of aluminum or nylon.

## LSUS students in play

Three LSUS students, Mark Graham, Gail DeBiak and Gail Deckant, are featured in the Shreveport Little Theatre's production "When You Comin Back Red Ryder."

Written by Mark Medoff, the play is a comment on today's society and its problems. The plot centers around a New Mexico diner and the people who work there.

Michael Vetrici directed the production. Tommy Serio and Beverly Joplin, LSUS students, assisted in the technical preparation.

The play will be staged Jan. 31, Feb. 1, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, and 15. Curtain is at 8:15 p.m. Call 424-4439, between 1-5 p.m., for reservations.

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## A look at sororities

By Patti Kasselman

I had my first impression of sororities from old TV movies. There would be an endless round of parties which the young, fresh and beautiful heroine would attend, accompanied by her quiet, somewhat dowdy best friend.

Bids would be extended by means of envelopes in the girls' mailboxes, and the glowing heroine would squeal with happiness as she tore open the invitation from her chosen group.

Beside her, her best friend wept quietly, looking into her empty mailbox. From that particular movie and many others, I believed that sorority girls were cruel, catty and cliquish.

### Notions unfair

After attending college for nearly three years, and never really re-evaluating sororities, I decided to go through rush this spring and explore the many impressions I had accumulated through the years. Most of my preconceived notions, I found, were totally unfair.

I attended one rush party where the pledges sang songs, swapped tidbits of history concerning their organization, served refreshments and were generally rather warm and enthusiastic. After about 40 minutes, they merrily sent the rushees on their way, providing them with financial information as they left.

As I departed, I was rather skeptical. I wondered if I should invest over \$100 plus monthly dues to eat cake and sing songs.

### Appraisal not accurate

As it turned out, my appraisal of the situation wasn't totally accurate. All of the LSUS sororities have philanthropies — projects they invest time and effort in to help others. Much time is spent in social activity, but the sororities also assist in providing services and raising money for various community projects.

Another sorority contacted me by phone and quickly threw me off balance. A girl on the other end was obviously filling out a form and asked me any number of personal questions. Her queries dealt with my grade point in high school, my father's and mother's college background and whether they were living together, my church membership and my parents'

respective occupations, to name a few.

### Surprise concealed

Since I, like many people, bristle at any invasion of privacy, it was extremely difficult for me to conceal my surprise and anger at such point-blank questioning.

However, I wanted to get on with the business of being "rushed" and dutifully answered as many questions as I could. There were actually one or two I didn't have an answer for!

I attended a second rush party which was very similar to the first. Once again, refreshments were served, songs were sung and much chit-chat took place. At two of the parties, I noticed a table on which the sororities' flower, pin, colors, motto, etc. were displayed.

### Everything explained

A pledge ushered a rushee to the table and explained everything as thoroughly as possible in the short time she had to talk.

"Rush" is indeed a fitting word, as a typical party lasts anywhere from 30-45 minutes, and you leave, wishing you could stay another hour and say more than "hi" to anywhere from ten to 25 girls.

The third party I attended was nearly identical to the other two. All of the members were knowledgeable concerning much of their organization's background, number of colonies, etc. And all were very proud of "their" sorority, and naturally felt it to be the best. I found this unconcealed pride to be both amusing, and a real credit to the respective sororities.

### Prejudices pulverized

I found many of my prejudices against sororities pulverized. The snooty girls from the old movies rarely materialized, and when they did, they were vastly outnumbered by warm, intelligent human beings. My final decision was not to join a sorority this semester, chiefly because of other responsibilities, but that choice is not necessarily final.

LSUS sororities don't appear to have much of the "Victorian stuffiness" I have always found distasteful. Pledges appear to have a loyalty bond between them.

This was brought home to me when I asked some of the girls what they felt was one of the benefits of belonging to a sorority. Invariably, the reply was "sisterhood."

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## Schedule announced

Feb. 3	6:00	Acid Freaks	vs.	Stud Service
Feb. 3	7:00	Zig Zags	vs.	Soul Patrol
Feb. 3	8:00	Mac's Pac	vs.	Mean Machine
Feb. 4	6:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	vs.	Mac's Pac
Feb. 4	7:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Zig Zags
Feb. 4	8:00	Mean Machine	vs.	Soul Patrol
Feb. 17	6:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Faculty
Feb. 17	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	vs.	Misfits
Feb. 17	8:00	The Dudes	vs.	Zig Zags
Feb. 18	6:00	Strangers	vs.	Soul Patrol
Feb. 18	7:00	Mac's Pac	vs.	Stud Service
Feb. 18	8:00	Mean Machine	vs.	Acid Freaks
Feb. 24	6:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Mac's Pac
Feb. 24	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	vs.	Stud Service
Feb. 24	8:00	Souk Patrol	vs.	Acid Freaks
Feb. 25	6:00	Zig Zags	vs.	Mean Machine
Feb. 25	7:00	Strangers	vs.	Misfits
Feb. 25	8:00	The Dudes	vs.	Misfits
Mar. 10	6:00	Greenway Gang	vs.	Faculty
Mar. 10	7:00	Dunking Do-Donuts	vs.	Faculty
Mar. 10	8:00	Zig Zags	vs.	Strangers
Mar. 11	6:00	Soul Patrol	vs.	The Dudes
Mar. 11	7:00	Macs Pac	vs.	Acid Freaks
Mar. 11	8:00	Mean Machine	vs.	Stud Service
Mar. 17 and 18 Basketball Finals				

Feb. 10 and 11 Mardi Gras Tournament held at Broadmoor YMCA and Ft. Humbug.

## Energy alternatives

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plants that rely on oil, gas or coal.

The normal application of hydroelectrical generating stations has deliberately been avoided here because of the resultant change in environment caused by the impounded waters.

### Direct sources used

Wind, ocean wave and solar energy have been employed in limited applications as direct energy sources, or as the means of generating electrical power, for many years. The universal adaptability of petroleum, fuels, however, in which one merely "turns the key and lights the fire," has forced these natural energy source applications to the background.

In view of the economical and political pressures being exerted on oil-dependent nations, the time has come when

it is no longer possible to approach the solution of energy problems with the continued search for ways to expand an admittedly "diminishing resource."

It seems irrational, indeed unintelligent, to pursue a system dependent on supplies doomed to exhaustion. Man's ingenuity and perseverance, then, must prevail to develop ways to solve our energy needs.

Of the previously mentioned alternatives to oil, solar energy appears to have the most potential. Let's examine briefly some of that potential.

### Solution discussed

Basically, the sun as it blazes away, is converting hydrogen into helium. This process produces one atom of helium from four atoms of hydrogen.

The energy radiated from the sun in one day is equal to that which could be produced by burning 550 billion tons of coal.

Each 20 minutes the sun emits enough energy to fulfill our country's need for one year.

If we knew exactly how to harness it, we could glean one horsepower from the sunshine that falls on every square yard of the earth's surface.

### Many energy uses

Scientists have used solar energy for water purification, as power for electrical systems, as a method of providing air conditioning and heating, to power irrigation systems and to charge solar batteries of space vehicles.

There are tremendous hurdles to solving the energy crises, but there are alternatives to our accepted and developed "diminishing resources" of carbon fuels. It doesn't seem premature to actively set about developing those alternatives.

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"I feel that my time could be better spent if we were discussing something of relevance to this campus and not bickering among ourselves like high school students," Hermes said.

It was, though, 10 minutes into the debate before a resolution calling for approval of Sanders' action was introduced by senator Tim Hardy. It was not acted upon.

Sanders offered to pay for the trip if the senate so desired.

### Questions for Smith

There were also questions as to why Dr. Smith, the vice chancellor for student affairs, had approved the funds.

Dr. Smith said he had just not thought to tell Sanders to "go to the senate."

"However, I am not sure it is my responsibility to

remind the president to get senate approval."

The resolution before the senate is up for a vote today. There was strong indication the resolution would pass, but with a severe reprimand to Sanders.

In other SGA action, the senate approved a new secretary, Shirley Jacques, Sanders announced the appointment of Bill Ferguson as director of the Office of Community and Government Affairs and named Tommy Starkey to serve on the Long Range Planning Committee and David Towns to serve on the Student Affairs Committee.

Sanders also appointed two new senators, John Grau and Robert Freeman. Both have to be approved by the full senate. The vote is expected today.

## Hoop-Ball starts

The 1975 Spring Intramural Basketball season tipped off Tuesday night with three teams meeting at the Fort Humbug gym.

Basketball season got a late start due to an inadequacy. The LSUS business office discovered that the contract for use of the gym at the Fort Humbug National Guard Armory did not cover insurance liability.

Dr. A. J. Howell, vice chan-

cellor for Business Affairs, and Captain W. R. Gay Jr. of the Louisiana National Guard at Fort Humbug put a new contract together, effective January 24. "We thank both parties for their cooperation in rapidly obtaining a new contract," states intramural student worker Marvin Street.

The National Guard allows LSUS to use their gym without cost to the school.

## Scuba class offered

"Go soak your head" will become a reality from a new course now available through the Department of Conferences and Institutes.

A six week course in scuba diving offers 42 hours of instruction at LSUS with pool training sessions held at the Central YMCA. Two open water dives are also required to complete the requirements. Hours are 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

The course is taught by cer-

tified instructors under the sanction of the National Association of Underwater Instructors. It is designed to train and fully qualify students as nationally certified scuba divers.

LSUS students and faculty can pay half of the \$60 fee at the first session. Non-students are assessed \$65.

Interested students should register with the Department of Conferences and Institutes in the Liberal Arts Building. The first session for orientation and conditioning pool work will be held at the Central YMCA, 400 McNeil St. Bring swim wear, a towel, a note pad and pen to the first session.

Scuba equipment is available for rental for a \$10 fee.

## Introspect

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The only way to enjoy a butterfly is as it flies free. The contact is briefer, but the joy more meaningful.

The apostle John wrote, "Not at last God has His dwelling among men! He will dwell among them and they shall be His people, and God Himself will be with them... for the old order has passed away!... Behold I am making all things new."

The world says eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die. God says love, give and be joyful for today we live. Nietzsche put it, "Only where there are graves are there resurrections." Only as the old man dies can the new one be born.

The apostle Paul expressed it, "Therefore if any man be in Christ He is a new creature, old things are passed away behold, all things are become new." It is by this newness of life that depth of life is made possible; that we are able to "Kiss the joy as it flies and dwell in eternity's sunrise."

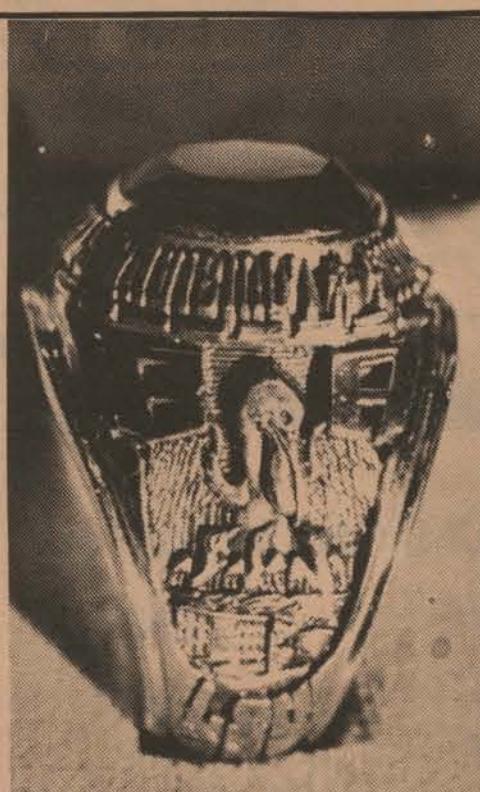
## Volleyball

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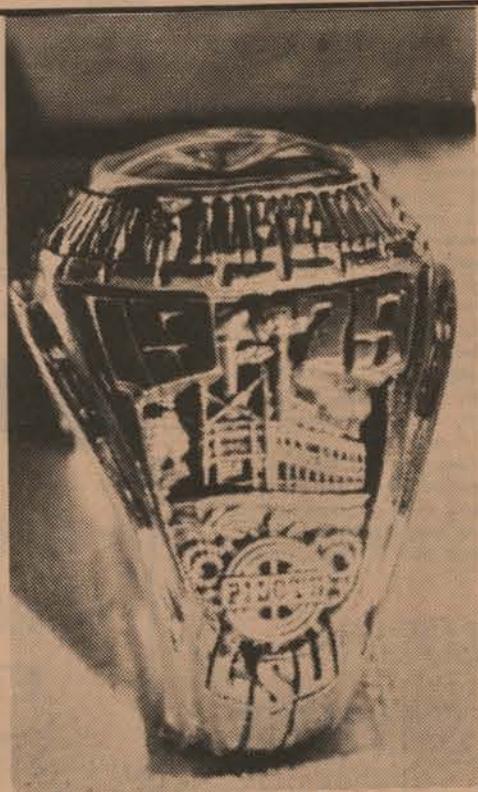
Volleyball added to the activities of the Intramural Sports calendar with Tri Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha sororities meeting at Fort Humbug Wednesday night. PHI sorority and all-girls independent team vied in the second game of the night.

Results of the competition were not available at press time.

Signing up for volleyball competition will continue during the week. Anyone interested in becoming a member of a team, girls or co-ed, should go by the IM office, LA 142.



In this view of the official LSUS School ring the pelican is shown. The state bird is pictured with its brood.



The steamboat and the pilot wheel symbols of LSUS are depicted here. (photos: Irvin Schueler)